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EMBASSY PASS CHMAAG

1. DEPT/DOD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S TIMELY ASSESSMENT
AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING RE POSSIBILITY OF IEG
CONSIDERATION OF CPR MILAID (REF A). WE SHARE EMBASSY'S
DOUBT IEG WOULD TURN IN THAT DIRECTION UNLESS OTHER
OPTIONS BLOCKED AND ARE REASSURED THAT THIS DOES NOT
APPEAR TO BE AN IMMEDIATE PROBLEM. SHOULD, HOWEVER,
IEG TURN IN DIRECTION OF CPR TO ACQUIRE MILITARY
HARDWARE, PARTICULARLY BY PURCHASE, IT WOULD POSE
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SERIOUS PROBLEMS FOR US, AS NEWSOM INDICATED TO PRIMIN

AND FONMIN (PARA 11, REF B). ALTHOUGH OTHER PROBLEMS SUCH AS IMPACT ON ORGANIZATION, EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING WOULD ALSO EXIST, AS CITED REFTEL, MORE IMPORTANT FOR US WOULD BE POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT NEGATIVE IMPACT ON OUR ABILITY TO DEFEND PROJECTED LEVEL OF GRANT MAP WITH CONGRESS. SIGNIFICANT IEG MILITARY PURCHASES FROM OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES COULD HAVE SIMILAR EFFECT, THOUGH NOT OF SAME MAGNITUDE.

2. IN CONTEXT EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATIONS IN PARA 10 OF REF A, SHOULD NEED ARISE TO DISCUSS MATTER WITH IEG, ABOVE POINT RE PROBLEMS FOR MAP SHOULD BE STRESSED, AS NEWSOM DID EARLIER (PARA 11, REF B). KISSINGER

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